Capacity of Hazira Pipeline

2984. SHRI SHIVAJIRAO GIRIDHAR PATIL:
SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:
SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the capacity of the Hazira Pipeline to carry gas and what per cent of this capacity is being utilised at present; if not utilised fully the reasons therefor;

(b) whether it is a fact that an additional pipeline is being planned to be laid from Basin to Hazira and if so, what is the proposed cost of this pipeline;

(c) if the present pipeline is not utilised fully, what is the rational for laying the second line for the same area; and

(d) the estimated number of fertiliser and power projects installed to utilise all these gases which have been completed and how many are yet to be completed; what is the estimated gestation period of these plants to be able to utilise the entire gas, the capacity of transportation which is being created

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) The Bassien to Hazira pipeline has a capacity of 20 MMSCMD and its current utilisation ranges from 90 to more than 100 per cent.

(b) Yes, Sir. The estimated cost of this pipeline is approx. Rs. 1974 crores.

(c) In view of (a) above, does not arise.

(d) From Hazira supplies are currently being made to 4 fertilizer and 5 power plants, while 5 fertilizer and 3 power plants are yet to be completed. The gestation periods for fertiliser and power plants are approx. 36 and 30 months respectively.

Requirement of Gas for Gas based power stations in Gujarat and Orissa

2985. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRIMATI MIRA DAS:
SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the daily requirement of gas for gas based power stations in Orissa and Gujarat;

(b) what linkage has been sanctioned by Central Government against the total requirement;

(c) whether the above linkage is sufficient for gas-based power stations of Gujarat and Orissa;

(d) whether it is a fact that the Central Government are considering to divert to gas, earlier earmarked for Gujarat;

(e) whether there is any proposal for increasng the gas linkage in near future;

(f) whether Govenment poposed to sanctioned more gas-based power stations to Gujarat during the Eighth Plan; and

(g) if so, the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b) While there is no gas based power station in Orissa, allocations to the extent of 7.47 MMSCMD have been made for various power projects in Gujarat.

(c) Allocations are made after considering the requirement of various downstream users and availability of gas.

(d) There is no Statewise earmarking or allotment of gas; gas allocations are made to individual projects for various States .

(e) No, Sir.

(f) and (g) Further allocations would be considered in the light of additional availability of gas, if any.

Transmission of gas from Hazira to Utran

2986. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRIMATI MIRA DAS:
SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Gujarat Electricity Board and Gujarat Government are prepared to bear the expenses for the transmission of gas from Hazira to Utran at their own cost; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that GEB and Gujarat Government have committed in advance that on availability of gas from the Gandhar Hazira transmitted gas would be discontinued by themselves?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b) Offers for meeting the cost of a temporary line for supplies to be made on a fall back basis have been received.

External assistance for Eliminating gas flaring

2987. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH:
SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:
SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently proposed any project to eliminate flaring of gas in Bombay High with the assistance of World Bank and Asian Development Bank;

(b) if so, what are its details; and

(c) by when Government propose to eliminate the flaring of gas in Bombay High and at what cost?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b) The ONGC is implementing the Gas Flaring Reduction Projtct in the Western offshore. While the World Bank has already approved a loan of US $ 450 million a loan of US $ 300 million has been sought from Asian Development Bank.

(c) Flaring is expected to be reduced to minimum technical levels by 1995 in Bombay High field.

Production of Gas

2988. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRIMATI MIRA DAS:
SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1381 given in the Rajya Sabha on 22nd July, 1992; and state:

(a) whether it is technically impossible to divert spare gas for Utran power house in Gujarat through control of flaring up of the gas on temporary basis;

(b) whether the current year's production of the associated and non-associated gas is less than the production of last year with details of production during the last three years; and

(c) the quantum of gas being consumed in Gujarat as against the total production thereof?